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FILTER DEVICE

which is described and claimed in: PCT International Application No. **PCT/JP03/13193** filed **October 15, 2003**

the attached specification the specification in application Serial No. filed

(if applicable) and amended on

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56. I claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Claimed
2002-128478 (Number)	Japan (Country)	30/April/2002 (Day/Month/Year Filed)	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.			
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